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**Possible mortar discovered in Ulu Mahi subdivision**

ULU MAHI – Kaua'i police responded to a report of a possible unexploded ordnance found in a home on Hili Street in the Ulu Mahi subdivision in Līhu'e on Thursday morning.

A man located the ordnance while cleaning out his father's home and contacted police at approximately 10 a.m.

An explosive specialist from the Transportation Security Administration initially responded to the scene and determined that it was a 60MM mortar.

Police evacuated the home and the neighboring properties and secured a safe perimeter while awaiting personnel from the Army's 74<sup>th</sup> Explosive Ordnance Disposal team (EOD) to arrive from Schofield Barracks on O'ahu.

The team arrived at the home shortly after 6 p.m. and utilized their equipment to determine that the mortar did not contain explosives.

The EOD disassembled and removed the device from the home.

Police cleared the scene at approximately 7 p.m.

The Kaua'i Police Department would like to take this opportunity to remind the public that if an object such as this is found, do not disturb it and call police immediately.



PHOTO: A 60MM mortar was located in a home on Hili Street in Līhu‘e on Thursday morning. The Army’s 74<sup>th</sup> Explosive Ordnance Disposal team responded and determined that the device was not explosive.

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